

**Village of Manteno
Finance Committee
Monday March 16, 2026**

Attendance

Committee Members:	
Annette LaMore, Mayor	X
Peggy Vaughn, Trustee	x
Todd Crockett, Trustee	x
Annette Zimbelman, Trustee	
Joel Gesky, Trustee	X
CJ Boudreau, Trustee	x
Michael Barry, Trustee	x
Other attendees:	
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	x
Jim Hanley, Super of Public Works	X
Allen Pickrel, Village Clerk	X
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	x
Jakob Knox, Marketing Dir	
Melissa Gay, Deputy Village Clerk	
Chief of Police Al Swinford	x
Joe Cainker, Village Attorney	x

Trustee Barry called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:35

- Motion by Trustee Boudreau 2nd Trustee Vaughn to accept the minutes of the February 17, 2026, meeting. **Motion passed**

Items for Discussion:

- Preliminary Budget (2nd version) Trustee Barry referred to Village Administrator LaRouque to get over the 2nd version.
- Administrator LaRouque stated the column to the right is where the Village is at to the left is where the budget is anticipated to be at the end of 2026. As of now the Village will have a deficit of \$3.2 million at the end of 2026 and the current budget for 2027 as of now has a defecate of \$1.7 million
- Administrator LaRouque handed out a list of every area or department that has a defecate.
- Trustee Barry asked with all the events in town such as Oktoberfest does the Village just lose money on the events or is anything made. Administrator LaRouque stated typically the Village loses money on all these events.
- Trustee Barry asked if the Police Car and Dump truck really needed to be replaced. Administrator LaRouque stated that you can skip a year if you choose on the Police car and the dump truck comes out of the bridge fund and not the general fund.
- Public Works Director Hanley stated the old dump truck is rusting out and transmission is going out so it will take a lot for repairs if not replaced.
- Trustee Boudreau stated that he feels the Board really needs to look at not paying for garbage pickup any longer nor paying tax rebates as it would not be fiscally responsible to pay these any longer.
- Trustee Crockett agreed that it wouldn't be fiscally responsible to pay for these any longer.
- Mayor LaMore suggested that being short on time that this discussion continue at the Finance meeting April 6, 2026 at 5:00pm

Motion to Adjourn at 5:57 by Trustee Boudreau 2nd Vaughn 5 yays 0 nays

